



2019 CALFRESH LEGISLATION

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SB 173 (Dodd) would require the Department of Social Services to create a standardized form to be used by public colleges to verify the workstudy eligibility of students to facilitate their CalFresh Applications.

SB 1229 (Wicks) would ensure that former foster youth are not denied CalFresh benefits because they have received transitional housing support or chose to take an off-campus internship.



RESTAURANT MEAL PROGRAM (RMP)

AB 612 (Weber) would allow any of the 119 Community Colleges to enter into an agreement with the Department of Social Services to establish a CalFresh Restaurant Meal Program (RMP).

AB 942 (Weber) would extend access to the RMP to all CalFresh recipients who are elderly, disabled or homeless regardless of county.



STATE PROGRAMS FILLING IN FOOD GAP FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

AB 987 (R.Rivas) would make changes to the CalWORKs special food benefit so that it is delivered on EBT as a food benefit (rather than a cash benefit, which makes it countable income in CalFresh) and add lack of fresh water and high blood levels as reasons to receive the CalWORKs special food needs supplement.

AB 1022 (Wicks) would prevent the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Able Body Adult Without Dependents (ABAWD) Time Limit from impacting low-income recipients of CalFresh.



SIMPLIFYING CALFRESH APPLICATION

AB 1377 (Wicks) would require a county to deem a child to be automatically eligible for CalFresh if it is informed that a child meets federal eligibility criteria for free and reduced-price meals.

AB 494 (Berman) would maximize CalFresh eligibility among people with excess shelter expenses providing that they have the minimal verification required by federal law. Allows counties to request more verification if questionable.





THANK YOU!

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